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U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/987,899 filed November 16, 2001

Inventors: Nordine CHEIKH et al.

Title:

Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated

with the Carbon Assimilation Pathway

Atty. Dkt: 16517.258

Sir:

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- 2. Response to Office Action mailed December 2, 2003; and
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Sincerely,

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